

NOTICE.

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FAMILY AND DISPENSARY
CHEMISTS.

By Appointment to His Excellency the GOVERNOR and His Royal Highness the DUKE OF EDINBURGH.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS.

PERFUMES.

PATENT MEDICINE VENDORS.

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And

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NOTICE.—To avoid delay in the execution of Orders it is particularly requested that all business communications be addressed to the Firm, A. S. WATSON AND CO., 47

HONGKONG DISPENSARY, 121

LEA AND PERRINS' SAUCE

The Original and Genuine.

WORCESTERSHIRE SAUCE

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MARRIAGE.

At St. George's, on the 4th instant, at the English Cathedral, by the Rev. F. R. Smith, M.A., James

Barrett, Chief Officer of the ship, to Miss

Barrett, eldest daughter of William Barrett, Trinity Corporation, London.

The Daily Press

HONGKONG, JANUARY 10TH, 1885.

The resignation of M. CAMERON, lately

French Minister for War, has evidently not

had any weakening effect on the Eastern policy

of the French Government. The latest tele-

gram announces that the reinforcements to

be sent out to Tonquin have been increased

to 12,000 men. A previous telegram stated

that 6,000 men were to be sent out as re-

inforcements, and a month or two ago 7,000

were ordered out. The latest telegram does

not state whether the 12,000 are inclusive or

exclusive of those now on their way thither. In

that case the forces under the command of

General Bazeux d'Almeida will be brought

up to something like 35,000 men of all arms,

after allowing for those incapacitated by sick-

ness, and if he can get there in force before

the hot season commences it is probable he

will be able to strike some decisive blow.

Nothing more has, however, been said about

the despatch of further reinforcements of

troops for Admiral Courbet in Formosa, but

if we mistake not some five thousand

men are on their way to Keling, and the

transport Cholon, with the first battalion,

must have arrived there ere now. It was

announced by telegram in October last that

7,000 troops would be despatched to Ton-

quin in November, and some of these have

already arrived there. It is possible that

the troops destined for Formosa were in-

cluded in this number, but Admiral Courbet

can do little with less than 5,000 men.

With such a reinforcement added to the iron-

clads and cruisers ordered to his relief, the

gallant officer may hope to succeed in oc-

cupying North Formosa and effectually op-

posing any attempts to break the blockade,

for some time existing only on paper. But we

fear that even with these promised reinfor-

cements the French Commander will hardly

succeed in bringing the stubborn mandarins

to terms, and the war is likely to drag on

for some time unless energetic steps are taken

by the French Government.

The recent disturbance in Korea has

brought about a condition of affairs large

with possibilities of a rupture between China

and Japan. The Korean Government on its

part is willing to make all the reparation in

its power to the injured parties. The facts

of the outbreak are thus concisely set

out by the Choya Shinbun:—"The radical

section of the Progressives, extorted by the

powerful influence exercised by the

Conservatives, rose suddenly on the 4th

December and massacred Mrs. Yonoze and

other leaders of the Conservatives. This

naturally caused much disorder and con-

fusion in the city, and when Mr. Takezoku,

at the head of the Japanese troops, pro-

ceeded to the Palace in compliance with the

request of the King, the commander of the

Chinese troops fired their weapons into the

Palace and fired on our troops. The

Minister, perceiving the inconvenience arising

from the smallness of his forces, retired to the Legation. At that time the capital

was in a state of complete anarchy. The

natives who hated the Japanese and Japa-

nese influence rose in disorder and destroyed

the Japanese Legation. The Minister re-

tired to Chemulpo in consequence, where he

was holding negotiations with the newly

constituted Korean Government and Chinese

authorities up to the latest date of our in-

formation about the affair. Thus the recent

disturbance was, beyond doubt, the work of

the Progressives, and to injury would have

been caused, nor insult offered to the

Japanese, had it not been for the com-

plications caused by the intervention of the

Chinese and the consequent rising of the

natives. For all practical purposes Korea

may for the present be left out of the question.

She will be simply a pliable object in the hands

of whichever of her more powerful neigh-

bours gains the ascendancy. Both these

powers have dispatched commissioners to ad-

just the difficulties, and it is earnestly to be

desired that their efforts in this direction

may be successful. The case is not one, how-

ever, which will be found too easy of

solution. The Chinese troops fired on the

Japanese, and it is for this that Japan is

concerned to obtain satisfaction. Hence it

is suggested in the Japanese papers that the

Japanese commissioner will probably have to

proceed to Peking. With the meagre in-

formation available it is perhaps too early to

pronounce definitely on the merits of the

dispute, but the evidence so far as it goes

seems clearly to show that the Chinese

were the aggressors in the encounter

which occurred between the troops of the

two nations. If the Peking Govern-

ment refuses to acknowledge this and to

make reparation Japan will have to con-

sider whether she is not bound, having

due regard to her honour, to exact it. The

Choya Shinbun, in a very temperate article

on the subject, says—"Any page of inter-

national history will strengthen the con-

viction that, when two independent nations

enter into a dispute, it is the determination

on either side to fight that brings about a

peaceful conclusion. Public opinion is in

favour of peaceful measures, but it will

never countenance forced submission to

China's improper demands on the ground

of our desire to maintain peace between the

two powers." While recognising the unde-

sirability of creating irreconcilable enmity

on the part of China, the same paper says

that Japan "must resolutely open negotia-

tions in Peking with regard to the recent

disturbance, and our Government should

take the utmost advantage of China's

existing complications with France for the

advancement of its object. And to do so we

must be determined to fight if it be a

necessity, for in that case only is peace

possible." If this accurately represents

the temper of the Japanese Government

and people, it is impossible not to recognise

the danger of the two countries becoming

involved in actual hostilities. Just now,

while she has the difficulty with France on

her hands, it might be supposed China

would be prepared to make any reasonable

concessions, but the mandarins are in such

a bellicose mood of mind that this is by no

means certain. It is, moreover, very evident

that China is anxious to increase her power

and influence in Korea, and this can only

be done by a corresponding diminution in

the influence of Japan. Before the recent

disturbance China had in that country a

regiment of 800 soldiers, while Japan only

maintained a garrison guard of 120. Count

Ito, the Japanese commissioner, left

Japan unattended by any force, while Mr.

Takamizawa, the Chinese commissioner, al-

though the Peking Government announced

that it was its intention not to send a single

soldier, it is said to be taking 400 men with

it, and it is even rumoured that he has five

thousand troops under his command. The

sympathy of foreigners will naturally be given

to Japan, because, as the Japan Mail justly

remarks, "there can be no question of

Japan, in the approaching negotiations,

Japan will represent progress and comity;

China, stagnation and exclusiveness. If

Chinese influence is to prevail in the penin-

sula, all that has been done during the past

eight years towards unweaving the fetters of

Korea's semi-savage conservatism will be so

much lost labour."

The news by the American mail will be found

on our fourth page.

The British steamer Danube will return

from the Kowloon docks and the British barque

J. C. Munro will go round to the Aberdeen

docks today.

It will be seen from the advertisement else-

where that Mr. Savelle announces a concert to

be given at St. Andrew's Hall, City Hall, on

Thursday, the 22nd inst., in which he will be

assisted by Lady and gentleman amateurs.

Colonel Sergeant Maclean, of the Buffs, who

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THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. steamer *Djennah*, with the new French mail, passed Cape St James at 9 A.M. on the 7th, and may be expected here on about the 11th instant.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. and O. steamer *San Pablo*, with the next American mail, left San Francisco on the 12th December, and may be expected here on about the 19th inst.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The Glen Line steamer *Glenloch*, left Singapore on the 3rd, and is due here on the 10th inst.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Achilles* left Singapore on the 3rd, and is due here on the 11th inst.

The steamer *Nagato Maru*, left Singapore the 8th, and may be expected to arrive here on the 11th inst.

POST-OFFICE NOTICES.

Attention is invited to the following notices at the subject of Local Delivery—
LOCAL DELIVERY.—No delivery is attempted on board ship, at the Peak, Kowloon, Aberdeen, or at any private house, and is not attempted in the districts where there is a place business, at which delivery can be effected (Postal Guide, par. 159).

The above Regulation is **not** new, but has been one of the objects of the Post Office many years. Considerable efforts have been made to secure its being generally understood. To prevent, however, if possible, any further misunderstanding on the subject, it will appear permanently on the Mail Lists issued twice a year from the Daily Press Office.

The Postal Guide for 1854, revised to conform with the alterations in the Postal Regulations, p. 335, large edition, p. 633 small edition, is the only authorized complete Summary of the Regulations of the Post Office.

627 The authorized list of Mails leaves
connection with this paper is the one pub-
lished each day in our Extra which is al-
corrected to a much later hour than that set
below.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE.

For Yokohama and Hio-go. — Per *Broom-*
to-day, the 10th inst, at 3.30 p.m.

For Manila. — Per *Emu*, to-day, *The*
inst, at 4.30 p.m.

For Amoy. — Per *Berry*, to-
the 10th inst, at 5.00 p.m.

For Swatow and Bangkok. — Per *Dan-*
to-morrow the 11th inst, at 5.30 p.m.

For Canton, Amoy, and Foochow. — Per *The*
on Monday, the 12th inst, at 5.00 p.m.

For Port Darwin, Thursday Is-
lands, Townsville, Sydney, Melbourne,
Adelaide, &c. — Per *Airlie*, on Wednesday
14th January, at 3.30 p.m.

**MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES
PAKETS.**

The United States Mail Packet *Citro-
de Janeiro* will be despatched on SATURDAY

2.57 P.M. Post-Office class, but Correspondence may be posted on the Packet with the Fee of 10 cents extra Postage until the day of departure.

To provide means of remitting small sums of money to the East Colony and to the Province of China, the Postmasters and all of this Office are allowed (but not required) to purchase Hongkong Postage Stamps to remit remittances.

RATES OF POSTAGE.

Letters, per 100	10
Post Cards, each	3
Books,	3
"papers, per 200	2
Newspapers & Prices Current, each	2
Registered	10
"with return receipt	15

Commercial papers signify such papers though written by hand, do not bear the cost of an actual or personal correspondence.

INTIMATIONS.

PORTLAND CEMENT
J. B. WHITE & SONS
SOLE AGENTS FOR CHINA,
HOLLIDAY WISE &
Hongkong, 11th April 1883.

T. ALGAE AND COMPANIES
HOUSE AND ESTATE AGENTS
RENTS COLLECTED.
BROWN, JONES & CO.,
UNDER TAKERS,
MOURNING STATIONERY,
& MONUMENTS ERECTED.
& QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.

WINTER TIME TABLE.
THE KOWLOON FERRY.

"MOORNING STAE"			
Runs Daily on a Ferry Boat between PE- WEEB and TERN-TAU at the fol- lowing times. The time will take effect from the 1st of May 1884.			
WEEK DAYS.		SUNDAYS.	
Leaves Newtown	Leaves Rockton	Leaves Newtown	Leaves Rockton
6.00 A.M.	7.00 A.M.	6.00 A.M.	7.00 A.M.
8.00 " "	9.00 " "	8.00 " "	9.00 " "
10.00 " "	11.00 " "	10.00 " "	11.00 " "
12.45 P.M.	1.00 P.M.	1.00 P.M.	1.15 P.M.
1.30 " "	2.00 " "	2.30 " "	3.00 " "
3.00 " "	3.30 " "	3.30 " "	4.00 " "
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5.15 " "	5.40 " "	5.15 " "	5.40 " "
6.00 " "	6.10 " "	6.00 " "	6.10 " "
6.30 " "	7.00 " "	6.30 " "	7.00 " "
7.00 " "	7.45 " "		

Neither the CAPTAINS, nor ASSISTANTS, nor the OFFICERS, nor the CREW, of the DEBT contracted by the OFFICERS or the CREW, of the following Vessels during their time in the Hongkong Harbour —

AMERICAN, Am. bk., J. A. O'Brien —
CHAMBERS & Co.
ARLBER, Brit. est., ELIAS—Russell & Co.
AUGUSTUS, Brit. est., P. Thomson—Captains
— & Co.
BARK, Am. bk., B. A. MacArthur—
Sons & Co.
CHEANNUE, Queen, Brit. bk., W. Lo Laek
— & Co.
ED. Schellhaus & Co.
COLUMBIA, Am. bk., W. Langford—Ord
— & Co.
CENTAUR, Ger. bk., C. Oferssen—Wieland
— & Co.
DORIA, Ger. bk., W. Zarnath—Siemens
— & Co.
EMILY, Brit. bark, W. Chilton—Captains
— & Co.
EVELYN, Brit. bark, B. S. Gordon—
— & Co.
Order.
GREGIAN, Am. ship, A. H. Dmber—Ord
— & Co.
HELIAN, Am. ship, J. B. Howes—A
— & Co.
HAMPSTEAD, Brit. est., A. Child—Russell
— & Co.
IMPERIAL, Am. ship, J. E. Crosby—Cap
— & Co.
LORENA WIA, Brit. bk., Lord—Chambers
— & Co.
MOORE, Am. bk., H. Nelson—
— & Co.
MOUNTAIN, Am. bk., K. S. Barlow & Co.

and
Co. PROPRIETOR, Brit. str., G. Haasley.—A
berg & Co.
Sooloo, Brit. bk., Baliko.—Borneo Co. L.
SPARTAN Am. bk., Cressy.—Captain.
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SPINAWAY Brit. 3/4 mach., J. Garrick.—S
& Co.
TRIUMPH, Ger. str. J. Schults.—Wiel
TITANIA Brit. ship, W. M. Townsend.
chers & Co.
WILLIE, Brit. 3/4 mach., O. Allen.—Mey
WELCOMER, Brit. str., W. R. Corfield.
HWA.

